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MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS

List of Candidates Running
for Mayor and
Councillors.

in the west end. Several other gentle-
men also made short speeches.

TELEPHONE COMPARISON

Department of Public Works,
Ontario.

Toronto, July 30, 1901.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 20th inst. to the
Municipal World with regard to elec-
tric light and telephone data has been
referred to me for reply.

I enclose to you a list of towns in
Ontario, showing the prices paid by
them for electric street lighting. There
is really nothing published in pamph-
let or book form that would be of
assistance to you in the way you sug-
gest—matter to be regretted, as coun-
cils, I find, are constantly in need of
information of this description. I
have prepared a number of articles
re waterworks and electric lighting
for the Municipal World which I pre-
sume you have seen. If not, I will be
pleased to send you copies.

FOR COUNCILLORS.

Joh Kerr Brydon, gentleman; pro-
posed by Geo. McCannon, seconded by
Chas. Lawson.

John Nash, fishery inspector; pro-
posed by Geo. McCannon, seconded by
John Kay.

Geo. E. Foster, mill foreman; pro-
posed by John Kay, seconded by Wm. Settrington.

Chas. W. Belyea, telegraph lineman;
proposed by E. Atkinson, seconded by
Jas. Little.

W. McCarthy, gentleman; proposed
by John Kay, seconded by D. McMurry.

Fred. A. Hudson, contractor; pro-
posed by C. E. Neals, seconded by R. J. Husbands.

Chas. W. Chadwick, gentleman; pro-
posed by E. Appleton, seconded by W. B. Towers.

Wm. G. Conerton, merchant; pro-
posed by John R. Dunn, seconded by R. J. Husson.

Algeron S. Horwill, merchant;
proposed by E. Appleton, seconded by
W. B. Towers.

Jame H. Davies, journalist; proposed
by H. Proutlock, seconded by S. J. Johnson.

John F. Merkay, mill foreman; pro-
posed by W. H. Edgar, seconded by
Geo. McCannan.

After the time had expired for nomi-
nations the usual meeting for the dis-
cussion of the past year's work was
held and Mr. P. H. Clark was request-
ed to take the chair. Speeches were
delivered by Councillors Belyea, Bry-
don, Chadwick, Mr. Geo. Foster and
the Mayor. A letter was also read
by Mr. Draper from Mr. D. L. Mather
who was unable to be present, stating
that he would accept nomination for
the mayoralty.

Rev. Mr. Morgan was present and
asked the spring councillors some
questions as to their stand on the en-
forcement of the law against gambling,
breach of license law and the houses

MUNICIPAL PARAGRAPHS.

J. B. Davies says he will stand or
fall on the electric light question.
Needless to say he is a champion
of the company. It is rather fortun-
ate for the town he is not the other way.

There is no argument required to
show that the Electric Light Com-
pany attempted, unsuccessfully, it is
true, to dictate the policy of the coun-
cil of 1901. Will they be more suc-
cessful in the coming year?

The Electric Light Co.—No, the News
Electric Print says—The effect of
municipal ownership is shown in the
large amount of revenue in the water
system of the town. Would there
have been a clear sheet had the water
works been owned by a private com-
pany?

Mr. Belvey says he is in favor of mu-
nicipal ownership of the electric lighting.
He does not advocate it, however,
and his actions in the council the past
year would hardly lead an unbiased
person to believe his statements. A
very large majority of the people of
Rat Portage expressed themselves in
favor of owning the electric plant
and perhaps Mr. Belvey wants re-
election.

In one paragraph of the News Elec-
tric Print of yesterday it charges the
town with being too lenient in pub-
lishing the water works and in the next
paragraph with being too harsh.
These divergent views must be at so
much per line.

The News Electric Print says “the
ticket are anxious to be re-elected in
order that they may continue their
fight against the Electric Light Co.”
and only incidental of course—the
Electric Co. is anxious that they be not
in order that they may go on charging
the people as much as possible.

The Electric Light organ is harping
on the question of costs of the recent
litigation between the town and the
Electric Co. and using such phrases as
the “overburdened taxpayers.” The
The consumer of electric light will
wonder if there is no burden on that
score.

Mr. Belyea is bemoaning the possible
costs of the recent litigation and tell-
ing people how bad he feels over it.
He wished however to reduce the price
of water to the C.P.R. from 10 cents
to 8 cents and he didn't worry over it
either.

How solicitous for the welfare of the
municipality the Electric Light Co.

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A STRAIGHT ISSUE.

The present contest for the mayoralty between Mayor D. C. Cameron and D. L. Mather should be devoid of personalities and bitterness. The one straight issues the electric light question and on that the two candidates will either stand or fall. So far as we are informed Mr. Mather has not declared himself upon the question. He can hardly be in favor of owing the electric lighting plant, however, or he would not have been induced to oppose Mr. Cameron's resolution. We can therefore fairly assume that he is opposed to the town owning the electric lighting plant, and therefore opposed to the wishes of a large majority of the electorate as expressed by their votes on the plebiscite of January, 1900. On what grounds then can we expect him to carry out the expressed wishes of the people? We believe that no man should run for office unless he is prepared to carry out the mandate of the majority of the citizens.

WHAT SOME MINING INVESTORS NEED.

There are occasions when a club—a large club—heavily loaded is the best means for driving common sense into the heads of investors in mining properties, observes the Lead and Zinc News. It is a good method and usually productive of results. Some very excellent mining propositions have been turned into complete failures by the investors themselves deciding to send a "favored son" or some broken business man out to manage a mining venture. Such decisions have, in isolated cases, proved reasonably successful. But there is not a mining camp west of the Mississippi river which cannot point to more instances of this character in which the investors have lost the greater portion or all of their investments.

Mining, when conducted with the same business caution that the average commercial venture requires, is equally safe and more profitable. No business man would think of turning over the management of his affairs to a green man, and many of those same business men, ordinarily level-headed, will consent to turn a mining enterprise over to a green man. Under competent management, conducted with the same care that a wholesale or retail business is carried on, mining is as safe an investment as can be secured. When the wedges of ore

One would say it was a good sign of the times to see the prisons of a country being shut up for good. The Dublin Gazette announces that from and after the 31st day of December, 1901, no less than seven of the great jails of Ireland shall be wholly closed.

A large manufacturing firm of Halifax, Eng., recently issued an advertising card with pictures emblematic of various parts of the empire, one of these is labelled "Canada Ice Palace" at St. Paul's. St. Paul will feel flattened, and Minneapolis jealous.

During the past year the United States spent \$85,000,000 in supporting an army in the Philippines. Great Britain spent more in South Africa and some of the American papers are jealous.

Still when Marconi wanted to telegraph his prospective bride to meet him he had to use the ordinary wires. The young Italian didn't like the idea of having his goo-goo messages floating all over the atmosphere.

Montreal Gazette: The De Beers Mining Company reports making a profit of £2,750,000 during the year just closing. Evidently there is a good deal of peaceful industry going on in South Africa along with much warlike destruction.

The Ottawa Journal says: Nipigon, a small Manitoba town, which over a year ago bought out the electric plant and put in a telephone service in connection with it, claims to have a profit of \$2,250 on the year's operation, after paying interest and sinking fund on the cost of the plant, as well as all expenses of operation, insurance and repairs. There does not seem to have been any expense of new installation, however. There are 120 telephones, the charge for which is \$20 a year for business places and \$10 for residences, the smaller a place the less expensive telephone service is known to be; but these rates look rather satisfactory.

The London Engineer notes that a deposit of gold on a piece of wrought iron, originally used in a mine track, and which had lain in the gutter carrying off the mine water, has been found at the Mount Lyell Mine, Tasmania.

On removing the precipitated copper, the gold was found deposited in places especially near three bolt holes, in the form of bright yellow plates. It was firmly attached to the iron, and had probably been deposited by the electric action of the iron-copper couple from traces of chloride in the acid mine water. No gold, however, could be detected in the mine water.

SCOTT'S CAMP.

A young man by the name of Mission was seriously hurt on Saturday by a falling limb from a tree he was cutting down. When the wedge of ore

THE BEAVER IN WINTER.

His Curious Method of Breathing Under the Ice.

"The beaver is really a sort of portable mill, grinding up most any kind of wood that comes his way. I once measured a white birch tree, twenty-two inches throughout, cut down by a beaver. A single beaver generally, if not always, amputates the tree, and when it comes down the whole family falls to and has a regular frolic with the bark and branches. A big beaver will bring down a fair sized aspen—say, three inches through—in about two minutes and a large tree in about an hour."

"One of the queerest facts about the beaver is the rapidity with which his long, chisel shaped teeth recover from an injury. I have known beavers to break their teeth in being a trap, and when I caught them again ten days afterward you couldn't see a sign of the break—the teeth had grown out to their former perfection in that short period."

"As compared with the otter or mink, the beaver is a very slow swimmer. His front legs hang by his side, and he uses only his webbed hind feet for purposes of swimming. It is easy to capture one in a canoe if you can find him in shoal water. He is a most determined fighter, but clumsy and easy to handle. If he could get hold of you with his teeth, he would almost take a leg off; so you want to watch him sharply. The place to grab him is by the tail."

"The ability of a beaver to remain under water for a long time is really not so tough a problem as it looks. When the lake or pond is frozen over, a beaver will come to the under surface of the ice and expel his breath, so that it will form a wide, flat bubble. The air, coming in contact with the ice and water, is purified, and the beaver breathes it again. This operation he can repeat several times. The otter and muskrat do the same thing. It almost takes a burglar proof safe to hold a newly captured beaver. I once caught an old one and two kittens up the north branch of the Sou-west, put them in a barrel and brought them down to Miramichi lake. That night she gnawed a hole through the barrel and cleared out, leaving her kittens. They were so young that I had no hope of finding them, so I released them in the hope that the mother might find them. Soon after that I caught a big male beaver. I made a large log pen for him of dry spruce, but the second night he cut a log and disappeared."

"Beavers, when alarmed, generally make up stream, so I went to the brook where a little branch came in, and I thought I would go up that a little way, and I had gone more than ten rods before I came across my lad sitting up in the bed of the brook, having a lunch on a stick he had cut. He actually looked as if he knew he was playing truant when he caught sight of me out of the side of his eye."

"I picked him up by the tail, brought him back, put him in the pen, supplied him with plenty of fresh poplar and he seemed as tame as possible and never gave me any more trouble. I brought him out to Stanley, where he lived a long time. Turnbull had a mongrel dog which was jealous of the beaver, and one day attacked him. He did that only once, for the beaver nipped the dog's ear. If a cat would catch a mouse."

Memories of the Ton.

In the old circus the ton used to fly up now and then and then dust the stalls, and now and then a horse's hoof would beat against the side of the ring with a heavy thud. All this is gone. There are no heavy discords now, no heavy thuds, no flying aromatic ton and no stables. It used to be a rapture to go through the stables in the interval—down the long, sloping passages, with gas jets in wire cages and find oneself between the tails of countless piebald horses extending as far



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THE RAT PORTAGE MINER, DEC. 31.

THE ROYAL PARTY IN CANADA

TITLED MEN AND WOMEN WITH THE DUKE AND DUCHESS

His Royal Highness the Duke of Cornwall and York's full official title—The Ladies of the Party—Duke's Livery Is the Son of a Canadian—The Duchess' Brother.

Who's who in the royal party, now touring in Canada?

The Duke and Duchess Canadians are well informed, but it would not be out of place to give him his official title. Here is how it goes:

His Royal Highness Prince George, Frederic Ernest Albert, Duke of Cornwall and York, Duke of Borthay, Prince of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, and Duke of Saxony, Earl of Carrick and Inverness, Baron of Benfriek and Killarney, Lord of the Isles and Great Steward of Scotland, K. G., P.C., K. T., K. P., C. M., G. C. V. O., LL. B. C. L.

At the head follow half a dozen puny alphabets.

The Duke is England's royal sailor, as he has all the bronze of a man who faces wind and weather on sea. He is fair, and bronzes as a fair man doesn't, ruddy face. He is browned to the eyebrows, and his hands and wrists show the effects of exposure. He is a tight-boned fellow of just above average height. He has small feet and hands, and moves with a wiry, springy stride of excellent health. He is not a powerful man, but he is agile and graceful. His Royal Highness would probably tip the scales at 150 pounds.

The Duchess resembles the Duke in build, complexion, and carriage. They are nearly of a height, about five feet eight inches, but the Duchess is the more composed of the two in public. During the reading of a recent address, His Royal Highness indicated continually with his hands. First the gray-gloved extremities were clasped across the body, and then he shifted one behind his back and clenched the other or touched back a hair before imagined astray on his forehead. When his hands had settled down he became uneasy on his feet and shifted from one foot to the other.

The Duchess, on the contrary, watched the proceedings with evident interest. The Duke was attired in conventional attire, black throughout, with the exception of gray suede gloves. His only jewelry beyond a canary finger ring was a diamond "scarf pin." The Duchess also appeared entirely in black. The dash of brilliant diamonds in watch, chain, and corsage branch, and her saffron eyes alone relieved the monotony of the sombre mounting robes.

The most important change in the household of the Duke is Lady Mary, 16, one of the Duchess' oldest friends, and her lady's maid since she was married. Lady Lytton is a sister of Earl Beauchamp, one of England's most prominent peers, who was at one time Mayor of Worcester. Marstoned County, Malvern Link, the Beacon town of the seat, is the finest residence in Worcestershire. Lady Lytton is the most perfect maiden in the Highgate.

She is 32 years of age, the eldest of two sisters, one of whom is married to Lord Ampthill, the private secretary of Joseph Chamberlain, while the other is the spouse of Grenadier Guardsman Col. Lord Gordon-Gilmour. Both ladies are titled.

CLEVER AT TRADING

A SOUTH CAROLINIAN'S YARN ABOUT A HORSE DEAL

The Nag Survived the Swapping Process, Was Won Back and May Even Live to Supply Excitement in Another Transaction.

"You don't have any fun swappin' and sellin' horses up here," remarked a South Carolidian the other day in an uptown horse exchange.

"We don't, eh?" was the response. "Why, you down there never sell a mare for \$3,000—like the one that was here out just now. And \$3,000 is cheap here."

"It's not the money—that makes the sport," answered the other. "Did you ever know a man to buy a plug for \$2,900? Well, I did. And did you ever know the man to sell the same plug for \$3,750? Now, nearly \$800 profit! Think of it! When they get to charmin' these fancy prices as you do here, we all the fun's out of it."

"Give me my old market town for real good sport in the horse trading business."

"Let me tell you about a deal I made last year. I would have missed that deal for all your thousand dollar titles. No, sir! I had a sorrel mare; a big, lumberring old thing. She'd been a good horse in her day, but that was some eighteen years ago, and when last fall came round she'd been fakin' after a lot of three-sessions, till she was baled off. I reckon she was 'bout the worst horse in the country, but somehow she'd been about the farm so long that I hated to swap her off. However, seemin' she was likely to die this day, my wife and I concluded it was best, and as I was always rather much on a swap, I didn't have any doubts but what 'twould turn out O. K."

"You know we farmers have to ride a long way to get to market town down south. Well, I wanted to take the old mare to town for swappin', but I knew 'twould half finish her up to walk there, seemin' it was some twenty miles off. So, I reckoned I'd lead her to town pretty slow a day ahead of time, so she'd look kind of fresh when time came to swap. The night before market day—it was Saturday we went to town generally—I got on another horse and rode in, leadin' the old mare by the halter. We didn't get out of a walk, but she was clean winded when we reached the edge of town. I gave her a lot of oats out of a bag I'd brought to bolster her up. Then I tied her and the other horse to a tree, and the three of us slept till mornin', after which we started into town just as though we'd come straight from home."

"Now, the very first man I met was a fellow from my neighborhood. We said how'd ye do to each other and he hunked on the nags.

"'Go,' he said. 'I didn't know that old thing could travel to town and keep goin' so good.'

"'Get off,' said I. 'She's as good as she was ten years ago.'

"He seemed mighty surprised.

We rode into main street and stopped at the grocery store, and pretty soon horse swappin' began. One fellow said he'd take my mare for an old cow he had at home; another 'lowed he'd give a sow and a bird dog together for her, another said he'd give one better and make it two bird dogs. Everybody seemed to want me, but I said I couldn't part with her."

"She's worth at least \$12," I said to 'em, and she would be worth fifteen, but age takes down prices on horses."

"Toward ev'nin', thought I, took up offer. A fellow named Smith—a cheery youngster that thought nobody could teach him things about swappin'—plugged said he'd give me a cow, a big sow and eight little pigs for the mare. 'It's a gal,' said, and he took off the sorrel, leadin'

THE COMING OF WINTER.

Out of the northward sombre winds are calling:
A shadow falls on the northward day by day;
And summer's arms grow cold; his fire is failing;
His feet draw back to give the stern one way.

It is the voice and shadow of the slayer,
Slayer of love, over world, shayer of dreams;
Make and take the wiles with sober plaint and prayer;
Make grey the woods and darken all thy streams.

Black grows the pine, blander drifts the snow;
The sky is grey; the woods are cold, pale low;
Oh, then the bosom and thy sad lips resist
For the cold kiss of the falling snow.

—Archibald Lampman.

"BROWN AND I"

How Two Jolly Young Canadians Supported Costly Titles at the Recent Pan-American at Buffalo.

"My chum Brown and I spent our summer vacation at the Pan-American Exposition," said a jolly young Canadian who came to this city the other day on business for a Montreal firm. Says the New York Tribune: "and in a spirit of mischief we thought we would play a trick on the Yankees by pretending we were British noblemen. We both could assume a good imitation of the most approved aristocratic accent, and having heard a lot of the Americans' business for a title, we promised ourselves considerable fun."

"I introduced Brown as 'Sir Thomas May,' and he introduced me as 'Sir Arthur Banks,' though my real name is Dixon.

"Our first disappointment came when we could not find rooms in a first-class hotel in Buffalo, but had to content with a third-rate. Our second disappointment came when we clearly perceived that our titles had only served to raise such suspicion in our landlord's breast, that he demanded a week's room rent in advance. Our third came when we saw that our fellow guests were far too busily engaged in getting their money's worth to pay us anything like the attention we had hoped to attract."

"We could not very well abandon our fictitious titles, however, so we resolved to face it out, and we called one another 'Sir Thomas' and 'Sir Arthur.' Initially when speaking to third persons, though, we felt rather silly, etc. etc. Nobody seemed impressed with us, and we were becoming thoroughly disengaged," when all at once a ray of light came.

A London cockney waiter appeared at our table, and seemed so glad to meet two of his own countrymen in a foreign land that he could not enough for us. He waited on us hand and foot, gave us our titles of 'Sir' at every breath, and customarily addressed us as 'Sir Lord.'

"We were delighted to be treated in freely."

The point came to our room that night, and we were to be allowed to act as our valets. We told him we were determined to rough it during our trip in America, and were only slightly daunted by "Sir Lord." We were delighted to be treated in freely."

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Mrs. R. Stoddard, Delhi, Ont., writes: "I was troubled with psoriasis or chilblains for twelve years; used many remedies during this time, but got no relief. I was directed to see five doctors, but found no cure. I decided to try a box of Dr. Chase's Ointment, and before using half of the box found great relief. I have used about three boxes, and am now completely cured, and have recommended it to many others. It is the best I have ever used, and it is worth its weight in gold."

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IS NOW ON. We have for your inspection the Finest Array of Holiday Goods ever seen in Rat Portage. Months ago we were busy selecting our stock for Christmas, and the result is one of the most up-to-date in the West. Here is a list that may help you to select your Xmas gifts:



Fancy Handkerchiefs.

Fancy Lawn Handks, fancy lace edge 4 for 250
Fancy Lace Handks, lawn centred 2 for 250
Fancy Lace Handks, lawn centred, 50c, 60c, 75c each
Fancy Silk Handks, handsomely embroidered 3 for 25
Hem Stitched Initial Handkerchief 25c each

Hosiery...

Ladies' Fine Black Cashmere Hose 35c per Pair.
Extra Quality 50c per Pair.
Lisle Thread, fancy lace work 75c per Pair.
Silk Oper Hose, in Black, Cream, Pink and Cardinal \$1.50 per Pair.

Fancy Lawn Aprons...

12 Dozen White Lawn Aprons 25c Each
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Ladies' Kid Gloves.

Perrins renowned makes \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 per pair.
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There is nothing more acceptable to a lady than a nice styled blouse. Our stock of American Silk Waists is now complete. Latest New York Styles.

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Our reputation for selling Reliable Furs is spreading fast. Our out-of-town customers place every confidence in our judgment when making selections for them. We are making SPECIAL PRICES ON CAPIERINES for the Holidays. One of our Handsome Caperines would make an Elegant Xmas Gift.

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Xmas Suggestions

Our Holiday Goods are new on Display

WE HAVE MANY NICE THINGS to choose from, and at prices to suit your pocket-book. We take pleasure in showing you our stock of Xmas Presents.

See Our Window Displays.

Wood's Drug Store

Miss Corwin returned from Winnipeg Sunday.

Councillor Chadwick had six cords of wood stolen from his lot this week.

Miss O'Byon, the representative of the Montreal Herald, who has been laid up here for several weeks through illness, left last night to return to her home at Ottawa.

Mr. R. S. Spence, inspector for the Imperial Bank, is in town in his official capacity.

Mr. Jas. Connice forwarded his baggage to town this morning. The member for West Algoma went through to Winnipeg, but will return shortly on some mining and other business.

A municipal meeting will be held in the west ward tonight, at which Mayor Cameron will be present.

Mr. Jim Brown returned from a three months' visit to Manitoba and the Territories.

Mr. C. G. Pennoch and wife are spending the holidays in Winnipeg.

A local poet is working on a beautiful pentameter blank verse, in which he depicts a batch of knights suing for the hand of the lovely maiden "Municipalina." J. K. was in his striking maid-of-Athena posture when our reporter left the poet just before going to press.

EXPLAINED.

"Say, Mack, what's all this I see in the Moine every time it comes out? 'the people's for um' or 'the people's for un'! Who's the people for anyhow?" "Sure, I don't know, Moike, but I've been ridin' 'the people's for um' an I guess it must be for Day Day. I don't see anyone else in sight."

BROWN-MITCHELL.

Mr. Wilkie Brown, of Pickwick, B.C., and Miss Flora Mitchell were quietly married last evening and left on the train going east to spend their honeymoon in New York. Neither of the parties knew anything about the approaching nuptials two days before the event took place, as a train of unusual circumstances were the cause of the union. Mr. Brown goes to take a position with the New York Asphalt company, and it is understood that the happy couple will reside there permanently. The groom is an ex-soldier of Rat Portage. The bride was a very popular young lady having lived nearly all her life in Rat Portage, and though she left so suddenly the good wishes of the entire community follow if they do not go with her.

CLERICAL ANECDOTES.

How the Parson is Sometimes Worsted by the Layman.

He very occasionally gets it in church, as in the classic case instance by the late Dean Ramsay, who relates that on a sultry summer Sunday afternoon a country congregation felt and yielded to the temptation to dozesness with a remarkable unanimity. Almost, the only person apparently wideawake was the village idiot, who sat in the front of the loft, with steady gaze fixed on the minister. *Singlin man out as an example*, the parson sharply rebuked his flock for their sleepiness. "Why?" he exclaimed, "even the poor afflicted one, Loft Jamie, as ye call him, can manage to keep awake!" "Aye, but, minister," retorted Jamie, not quite comprehending the situation, but timidly respecting the sudden publicity given to his doings, "I hadn't been an idiot I wad ha' been sleepin' too."

In a small church in Yorkshire well known to the writer one of the more ignorant and attentive attendants was a crotchety old man who always closed his eyes to listen to the sermon. It helped him to think he used to say, and that he really did, no one who undertook to question him about the discourse could doubt. On one occasion when the p. g. t. was read by a youthful cleric from a neighboring place there came a pause in the sermon. Suspecting what it meant, but not knowing, the old man opened his eyes, old John, and said, "What can ye say, the preachers?"

Out of church the parson sometimes gives a "rascally" deliberately salutary lesson. I used to say that my own mother was in a moment of rage

ALL-OVER-CANADA ITEMS.

Boiled Down into Readable Paragraphs for Busy People.

The total number of Kaffirs reported from Kimberley as having been murdered by the Boers is 37. In one case it is said, the Boers burned an unfortunate native alive.

The London, Ont., directory, first out, makes the population 45,000.

Mr. A. Maguire has acquired Events, the weekly paper in Ottawa.

By law to enforce mandatory vaccination has been introduced in the Montreal Council.

Mr. Robert B. Carter, "There is any room in the world to do what I want to do."

Six persons were killed by a car jumping the track on the Philadelphia & Lehigh Valley at Allentown, Pa.

Signor Mauroji leaves Newfoundland today, but it is not known whether he

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LADIES we will give you the benefit of our best judgment in selecting gifts for your gentleman friends.

Men's Hem-Stitched Linen Handkerchiefs 25c, 35c and 50c
Men's China Silk Handkerchiefs, Initiated 50c and 75c

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Smoking Jackets and Dressing Gowns.

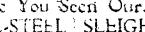
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